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For: VARIABLE STRIDE EXERCISE APPARATUS

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED AUGUST 9, 2006  
AND THIRD PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Commissioner:

In response to the August 9, 2006 Restriction Requirement and as a result of the August 24 interview with Examiner Stephen Crow, applicant requests that the following amendments be made prior to examination on the merits of this application. Consideration of this case in view of the amendments made below is requested. Following entry of this amendment pending claims are 97 and 769-817.

A **Listing of Claims** is provided starting at page 2 of this paper.

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